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FOURTH ALLEGED HOLBROOK MURDERER CAUGHT IN SOUTH CAROLINA

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The 26-year-old fugitive wanted for a July 2008 Holbrook murder is in custody in South Carolina, according to Norfolk District Attorney William R. Keating.

“Kencheser Martin was taken into custody after a routine traffic stop in Richland County, South Carolina,” District Attorney Keating said. “The information we have is that he was being held in South Carolina under a false name. Massachusetts State Police developed information that he was in custody and reached out to Richland County officials. He is now being held on a murder warrant.”

District Attorney Keating said that State Police Detectives attached to the Norfolk District Attorney's Office “are making arrangements to head to South Carolina.”

The 26-year old Chelsea man wanted for the July 10, 2008 murder of Osahon Ighodaro in his residence at 166 Longmeadow Drive, Holbrook, will likely face a judge in South Carolina tomorrow (Tuesday) morning, Keating said. If he does not dispute his rendition to Massachusetts, he could be brought back for arraignment in Quincy District Court as early as later this week. If he fights rendition the process for involuntary return, which can involve obtaining a Governor's Warrant, can take several weeks.

Kencheser Martin was born 4-18-83 and resided at 56 Cook Ave #2 in Chelsea.

On Monday, May 18, 2009, three alleged co-conspirators were arraigned for the murder following extensive investigation by Holbrook and Massachusetts State Police attached to the Norfolk DA's Office. All three pled not guilty and were ordered held without bail until their June 17 appearance in Quincy District Court.

Those three are Jeffrey P. Anthony, born 2-21-88, of 56 Cook Ave #1 in Chelsea. Joshua Berrios, born 11-28-88, of 84 Queen Elizabeth Lane, Taunton and Nekita Martin, Born 4-7-87, of 14 Library Street in Revere.

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Mr. Martin waived rendition proceedings in his court appearance in South Carolina. State and Holbrook Police are making arrangements for transport.

Any and all defendants mentioned are legally innocent until proven guilty.